

State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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Inspection Report Minerals Regulatory Program

October 31, 2005

Supervisor DA

Mine Name: Bingham Canyon Mine
Operator Name: Kennecott Utah Copper
8315 West 3593 South
P.O. Box 6001

Magna, Utah 84044-6001

Inspector(s): Doug Jensen

Other Participants: Vickie Peacey, Kelly Pane

Mine Status: Active

Weather: Clear, Warm

Time: 9:00 AM

Permit number: M/035/002

Inspection Date: October 26,2005

Elements of I	nspection	Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Revisions, Transfe	er, Bonds			
2. Public Safety (shafts, adits	, trash, signs, highwalls)			
3. Protection of Drainages / E				
4. Deleterious Material				
5. Roads (maintenance, surfa	cing, dust control, safety)			
6. Concurrent Reclamation		$\overline{\boxtimes}$	$\overline{\boxtimes}$	
7. Backfilling/Grading (trenc	hes, pits, roads,	$\overline{\Box}$		
highwalls, shafts, drill hol		Ц		Ш
8. Water Impoundments				
9. Soils				
10. Revegetation				
11. Air Quality				
12. Other			\boxtimes	

Purpose of Inspection:

Site familiarization.

Inspection Summary:

This inspection was a continuation of the site familiarization of the entire mine site. On this tour Vickie took me back to view the progress of the recontouring of the Queen Dump, the demolition of the Precipitation Plant and the demolition of the Bonneville Concentrator.

6. Concurrent Reclamation

Work at the Queen Dump continues on a sporadic pace, the dozer being used for this work is also a part of the mine fleet. Therefore, whenever the need arises at the mine the dozer is pulled off the recontouring work to perform work in the mine. The work being completed so far is being done on the upper portion of the dump. A large amount of material will have to moved on the upper portion of the dump before the lower reaches of the dump is touched.

12. Other

The next area visited was the area of the precipitation plant. Kelly Pane joined us at this time to explain the on-going demolition and the plans for the area after the work is completed. Since Kennecott ceased the application of acidic water to the dumps, the entire precip plant is no longer

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needed. A portion of the plant will remain and still operate but it is more for the conditioning of acid drain-down waters from the dumps. Due to the reduction of throughput water, the operation of the plant no longer is economic. After the plant demolition is completed the area will receive a two foot cover of "clean fill material". Photos were taken of this activity.

The next area inspected was the Bonneville Concentrator. Removal of panels from the mill building has begun. Removal of the structural steel of the building has not started yet. Once the shell of the building has been torn down, the removal of the mill components contained in the building will begin. Photos of this area were taken.

I discussed with Vickie the need for an updated aerial photo and mapping information, preferable in electronic form, for Dan Smith of our office. She stated that they have this information in arc view and could supply this data in that form. If the information could be received in this form it would be easy for Dan to incorporate it into our files.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

I will continue these inspection tours, in order to become more familiar with this site. Because of the size and the complexity and dynamics of the operation, it will take additional tours of the site to become somewhat familiar.

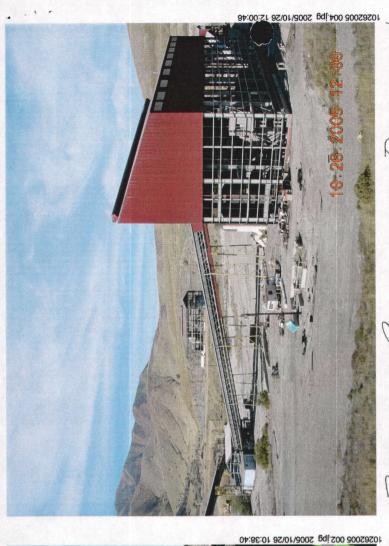
Inspector's Signature Lange Jensen Date: Nov 2,2005

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Paula Doughty, KUC Attachment: Photos

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PRECIPITATION PLANT DEMOLITION



